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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Keith Boyer

BY TONY AIWOO

## A NEW ON-LINE FACE FOR IUP

In the last edition of *IUP Magazine*, you may have read Michael Powers's description of our new website, scheduled to be launched early in the Spring semester.

This momentous launch did occur on January 31. IUP's new web design is producing tangible results that our many constituents can see and use. This latest advancement reminds me of something Mahatma Gandhi said: "We must become the change we want to see."

So many positive developments are happening at IUP—positive changes that will secure a positive future for IUP in future decades. Our website represents the evolving IUP, the university that holds good memories for so many and yet is changing to meet the needs of today's students and society.

What makes this website so special?

**Cutting-edge technology:** We have deployed a content management system—in effect, a database—to manage the more complicated design and assembly aspects of the site, allowing our many departmental contributors to concentrate on what they know best, which is the content.

**A contemporary design that also reflects our heritage:** With its clean lines and simple page layout, we are able to better tell our many stories—past and present—through strong photography and well-written content. We also are deploying more video products.

**Greatly improved navigation:** Our students, faculty members, and alumni spoke up and told us we were not doing a good job with organization and usability. We listened.

The new site employs several new navigational techniques, and we have reorganized our structure to accommodate audiences rather than have it reflect the organizational structure of the university.

**Customized design features:** During the early fall months, we surveyed our faculty and staff and students about their user habits to make sure the needs of our largest audiences in this medium were addressed. In the year before that, we used focus groups and other research techniques to nail down what prospective students and alumni thought. We have taken that research seriously and used it to create the new [www.iup.edu](http://www.iup.edu).

**An expanded on-line community:** In today's Web 2.0 world, teens to forty-somethings use products like Facebook to communicate with friends and family. We recognize this fact. In addition to the new [www.iup.edu](http://www.iup.edu), alumni will find in the coming months an increased capability to enhance communications with their on-line community. We anticipate that this improvement will bring about numerous opportunities to network and socialize with your immediate IUP family here on campus and your extended IUP family across the country.

The end result is to instill pride in those who have a relationship with us and to make the best possible impression on those who are just getting to know us.

We are interested in knowing about your impressions of our new web design. I hope that it meets and exceeds your expectations. 🐼

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## New, Yet Somehow Familiar

Located across East Campus from John Sutton Hall, the Sutton Suites will reflect the appearance, as well as the name, of the campus's best-known landmark. Down the street, another Phase III building, the Suites on Pratt, will also embody aspects of the campus's architectural heritage.  
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ON CAMPUS: U.S. Senator Bob Casey, Jr., engaged in a roundtable discussion with university, government, and economic leaders in Sutton Hall's Blue Room in February. He stressed the importance of extending health insurance coverage to all children in Indiana County and said 133,000 children statewide are still not covered by the Children's Health Insurance Program.



Adam Borodach

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FRONT AND BACK COVERS: Phase III of IUP's Residential Revival will include replacement of Esch and Wallace halls with the Sutton Suites (shown in rendering). Design details of the new construction are reminiscent of John Sutton Hall, which opened in 1875 and which remains today the heart of the university. The suites will be directly across Pratt Drive from Sutton, opposite Flagstone Theater. Rendering courtesy of WTW Architects.

# New, Yet Somewhat Familiar

By KAREN GRESH



When Phase III of the Residential Revival is completed next year, at least one building may seem eerily familiar. On what by then will be the former site of Esch and Wallace halls will stand the Sutton Suites, so named because the building incorporates design details of the campus's best-known landmark, Sutton Hall.

Situated along Pratt Drive, the new building will sit opposite the east lawn of Sutton, across the street from Flagstone Theater. Among its features will be an event space that can accommodate 150 people. Sutton Suites is only part of Phase III, though, with another building, the Suites on Pratt, replacing Campus Towers at the corner of Maple Street and Pratt Drive.

Pechan Health Center, opposite Campus Towers, will

also be demolished in Phase III. The functions the building currently houses will be assumed by the Center for Health and Well-Being, soon to be located in the Suites on Maple. The Residential Revival is a collaboration between the Foundation for IUP and the university.

Scheduled for opening late this coming summer are both the Suites on Maple—which forms the southern half of a quad with the Suites on Grant—and the

Courtesy of WTW Architects

○ The corner of Pratt and Grant streets will look like this in the future.



# New, Yet Somehow Familiar

Northern Suites, located near Keith and Whitmyre halls. In addition to living quarters, all the new facilities will feature lounge, recreational, and study space. The second-phase buildings, like the first, will also have office space for student-centered services.

The third-phase Suites on Pratt, on the current site of Campus Towers, will have a specialized function, in that it will remain operational during class breaks. This will serve to accommodate international students and other on-campus residents who, for a variety of reasons, may not be leaving campus.

## MIRROR OF THE PAST

When John Sutton Hall opened in 1875, it contained nearly all the institution's functions: instruction, residential space, food service, etc. In more than just their appearance, the Residential Revival suites buildings echo the Sutton of old. According to Jack Makara, assistant director of Housing and Residence Life for Assessment and Academic Initiatives, "Our suite-style buildings and the learning support spaces they encompass provide students with an opportunity to become immersed in a variety of academically, intellectually, and culturally engaging learning activities."

Inside the suites, students can attend workshops or programs presented by faculty and staff members, collaborate with other students through study groups and peer mentoring, attend meetings of organizations and clubs, make use of computer labs and resource rooms, and utilize a variety of services offered by offices within the buildings. "It's a 360-degree approach," Makara said.

The living-learning concept, however, extends far beyond the new buildings. This academic year, nearly 60 percent of on-campus residents live in designated living-learning communities. Students signing up for housing for next fall can choose from among twenty-two such options, ranging from Asian Studies to Global Awareness to Sub-



Keith Boyer

● From what some call Keith Field—between Keith and Whitmyre halls—the Northern Suites building looks closer to Breezedale, in the background, than it really is. The walk in the foreground connects Walsh Hall and the Hadley Union Building



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● Perched on the roof of the soon-to-be-demolished Campus Towers, photographer Keith Boyer achieved this panoramic view of the Maple Street-Pratt Drive intersection and of Pratt Drive looking north (the bell tower of John Sutton Hall is just visible over rooftops). The building near the corner is the Suites on Maple, which completes a quad with the Suites on Grant, in the distance. The area just to the left of the clock tower will be the site of the university's Center for Health and Well-Being.



stance-free Lifestyle to Women in Math, Science, and Technology.

For the current Spring semester, Vice President of Student Affairs Rhonda Luckey made available mini-grants that support living-learning initiatives. Faculty interest in the grants was strong, Makara said.

Jackie Beck, director of Academic Planning and Assessment in the College of Health and Human Services, chairs the Living-Learning Planning Team with Makara. (The team's activities were described in an earlier issue of *IUP Magazine*.) According to Beck, "The character, atmosphere, and activities in the living-learning communities are intentionally designed to promote a new level of engagement for students—right there in their home."



Keith Boyer



# Too Few Teachers for Too Few Nurses



**Within the next year, IUP** will welcome students to its new doctoral program in nursing. The program, approved in January by


the Board of Governors of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education, will help alleviate the critical shortage of nurse educators that now exists. Because there are too few nurse educators with appropriate credentials, and because so many are close to retirement, nursing programs across the country are turning away students at the same time the nation is experiencing a shortage of trained nurses.

"The need for qualified nurses continues to grow," said Carleen Zoni, dean of the College of Health and Human Services. "One strategy to meet this need is to increase enrollment in nursing programs and increase the number of faculty with appropriate academic qualifications to teach in these programs. IUP's doctoral program will have a specialized focus on nursing education and will develop nurse teacher-scholars who are both experts in nursing pedagogy and prepared to conduct advanced research."

Offered on a cohort basis, the program will comprise 60 credits, spread over eight semesters. The curriculum has three components: a nursing

core, a research core, and support courses that allow for specialized study. Each cohort will consist of approximately eighteen students.

IUP's Department of Nursing and Allied Health includes, in addition to the new doctoral program, both undergraduate and master's programs. The Allied Health Professions programs are respiratory care, clinical laboratory service, nuclear medicine technology, and a gerontology certification program.

This is IUP's ninth doctoral degree program. The university also offers more than one hundred undergraduate majors and more than forty master's degree programs. 







Barry Reeger

# Significant Gifts & Other Initiatives

● **RE-DEMOCRACY** Last spring, Thomas Linzey '92 was identified by *Forbes* magazine as one of "Ten People Who Could Change the World." Head of the nonprofit Center for Environmental Legal Defense Fund, Linzey has asserted the rights of ecosystems against those of corporations for more than a decade. But according to *Forbes*, only recently did he fuse the principle of government with the established wild law, which gives ecosystems legal rights of their own. As Linzey told *Forbes*, "When majorities in communities can't make decisions, we don't have democracy, anymore." Linzey graduated from Widener University School of Law, which has bestowed on him a number of awards.

● **RACE AND DEMOCRACY** Before an overflow crowd in Eberly auditorium Princeton professor Cornel West left lectured in late January as part of the university's eighteenth annual Martin Luther King, Jr. commemorative program. West has won numerous awards, including the American Book Award, and has received twenty honorary degrees. His best-selling book *Race Matters* (1993) is credited with changing the course of America's dialogue on race, justice and democracy. His lecture was only one event in a crowded schedule of King observances that included film presentations, a blood drive, a march, luncheons, receptions and an exhibit in Stapleton Library.



- Akron, Pittsburgh made a gift of **\$5,000** to support the Safety Sciences Department.
- Dr. Gary J. Bird, former faculty member of tuba and euphonium and Mrs. Manel Kaye Bird M'92, Spring Valley, Wis., have established the **Gary and M. Kaye Bird Euphonium Scholarship**.
- Dr. David Elko '76 and Mrs. Constance B. Elko, Austin, Texas, made a gift of **\$15,750** to establish the Elko Mathematics Department Discretionary Fund.
- FirstEnergy Foundation, Akron, Ohio, made a pledge of **\$20,000** to support the Kovalchick Convention and Athletic Complex.
- General Motors Foundation, Inc., Detroit, Mich., granted **\$10,000** to the Department of Safety Sciences Technology Enhancement Fund.
- Mr. Louis B. Gorman and Ms. Peggy Kile, Phoenix, Ariz., made a gift of **\$15,000** to establish the Dr. F. Philip Gorman Nursing Scholarship.
- The IUP Alumni Association made a gift of **\$10,800** to the IUP Alumni Affairs Program Support Fund.
- Mr. Richard Macedonia '66 and Mrs. Jane Whalen Macedonia '66, Potomac, Md., have established the Richard and Jane Macedonia Endowed Scholarship with a gift of **\$50,000**.
- Mr. Thomas Miller '51 and Mrs. Corinne Miller, Glendora, Calif., made a gift of **\$10,000** to the Student Experience.
- Ms. Kathleen Darkes Prokay '69, Charlotte, N.C., made a gift to establish the **Bob Prokay Memorial Football Scholarship**.
- Foundation for IUP board member Mr. G. Daniel Prushnok '76, Indiana, pledged **\$5,000** to the Eberly College of Business and Information Technology and **\$5,000** to IUP at Punxsutawney.
- Mr. Larry Segal, Wayne, Pa., made a gift of **\$10,000** to support the KCAC in honor of State Senator Don White.
- Mr. and Mrs. Michael Sincak, Hollsopple, Pa., made a gift-in-kind of a scientific collection valued at **\$82,072**.
- The Student Cooperative Association made a pledge of **\$115,000** to support women's athletics.

# Performing Arts Anticipation



Excitement is building for the opening of the long-awaited Performing Arts Center in the heart of IUP's main campus. Not only will the center

join Fisher Auditorium and Waller Hall by means of a 20,000-foot addition, it will add a host of amenities to the university's performing arts scene.

The center's most dramatic feature will be its two-story atrium grand lobby, sheathed in glass to

reflect the Oak Grove by day and reveal a glittering, gemlike setting by night. A new ticket office and concession area will welcome theatergoers, and space will be available for receptions, classes, rehearsals, and meetings.

Generations have sweltered in Fisher Auditorium—summer and winter—but now there will be air-conditioning throughout the entire complex. Both Fisher and Waller will have full wheelchair accessibility and greatly expanded restroom facilities. The audience's experience will also be enhanced by Fisher's new, state-of-the-art sound system and brighter, more

welcoming reception areas.

Performers will find new dressing rooms, complete with restrooms and showers, with a seventy-five-person capacity. There will also be a locker room for road crews, two well-appointed dressing rooms fit for celebrity stars, and a new actors' Green Room. An enclosed production receiving area with two loading docks will facilitate set-ups of shows and minimize vehicular and pedestrian traffic disruption.

Coming issues of *IUP Magazine* will feature the center's opening. Meanwhile, additional information is at [www.iup.edu/finearts](http://www.iup.edu/finearts). 🐼

## Wilson Hall No Longer Looks Its Age

● **NORMAL SCHOOL TO NOW:** The outside of the building is little changed, but the inside of Wilson Hall has moved into the twenty-first century. A criminology class meets in the building where students have learned for more than a hundred years. This was the second building—after John Sutton Hall—constructed by what was Indiana Normal School. Named in honor of one of the school's first trustees, it first was the Model School and later became the library. In its first decade, one of the scholars who studied in Wilson was movie actor James Stewart, a student at the Model School. This year marks the centenary of Stewart's birth, an occasion to be marked by community celebrations in May.



● **CURRENT AND COMPLETE:** Faculty member Jamie Martin teaches a criminology class in one of four classrooms in the transformed Wilson Hall. A \$4-million building renovation was finished in time to start the Spring semester. In addition to a host of infrastructure improvements, the building was reconfigured from twelve classrooms to the new arrangement—one that also affords space for Criminology Department faculty offices.

# Distinguished

# Awards

twelve alumni were honored with 2008 Distinguished Alumni Awards of an "early spring gala" sponsored by the IUP Alumni Association. Biographies of the winners more detailed than those below and on page 14 are accessible from [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine).



**Charlene Mickens Dukes '80** is the eighth president of Prince Georges Community College, which annually enrolls about forty thousand students in programs at its main campus in Largo, Md., and at four center centers. With masters and doctoral degrees from the University of Pittsburgh, she has received many career and community recognitions, including the 2006 Women of Achievement Award from the

Southern Maryland Business and Professional Women's Club. She serves on the boards of several state and local organizations and on the National Academy Board of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators. Ever committed to individual advancement, she makes it a point to spend time with students.

The voice of CBS News reporter and producer

**Stephanie Lambidakis '81** is heard regularly by millions throughout the U.S. and beyond. Currently assigned to the Justice Department beat, she has also been an on-air reporter and producer for television's *CBS Evening News* and was part of an Emmy Award-winning team that covered the 1996 Olympic Park bombing in Atlanta. From 1981 to 1985, she worked for CNN in its infancy, followed by a short stint with ABC News (*Good Morning America*) before settling in at CBS. Since 1996, she has covered Justice, reporting on, among others, Zacarias Moussaoui, Lewis "Scooter" Libby, and former Enron CFO Andrew Fastow.



**Daniel Larkin '82** heads the FBI's Cyber Initiative and Resource Fusion Unit, headquartered in Pittsburgh. He set up the first federal Cyber Fusion Unit, bringing government and law enforcement to the table with experts from industry and academia. As FBI unit chief of the Internet Crime Complaint Center, he developed and completed national cyber crime initiatives

that resulted in more than five hundred arrests and the seizure of millions of dollars. The coauthor of the FBI's national cyber crime strategy, he and his work have been covered by *Business Week*, *USA Today*, the *New York Times*, *CNN*, and the *Voice of America*.



Recently retired, **Richard Macedonia '66** spent all but two years of his career with Sodexho, Inc. Gaithersburg, Md., from 2003 to 2007, he served as president and CEO, with responsibility for the U.S., Canada, and Mexico. Under his leadership of Sodexho North America, the food and facilities management services company grew to \$7.3 billion in annual revenue and 125,000 employees. He also belonged to the Sodexho Global Executive Team and was COO of Sodexho Alliance, headquartered in France. The company had annual revenues exceeding \$15.5 billion. The recipient of an honorary doctorate from IUP in 2006, he will be the subject of a profile in the September issue of *IUP Magazine*.

**Edna Tickle McCutcheon '74** is CEO of Torrance State Hospital, a psychiatric facility, providing inpatient treatment for patients from a ten-county area of Western Pennsylvania. Throughout her career, she has sought to build close community relationships that dispel the stigma of serious mental illness and give hope to individuals for a return to their communities. The recipient of a master's degree in Social Work from West Virginia University, she has employed her leadership and advocacy skills as president of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Board of Directors of the National Alliance on Mental Illness and as a role model for IUP students who undertake practicum assignments at Torrance.



Since 2001, **Stephen Pasierb '84, M'86** has been president and CEO of the Partnership for a Drug-Free America in New York City. He started with the partnership in 1993 as deputy director of communications, moving on to build and direct the State/City Alliance Program that establishes city and state addiction prevention social marketing programs. As president and CEO, he sets the framework

strategy and decision making of the research-based, mission-focused organization with combined annual education programs and projects totaling \$400 million. He reports to the partnership's chairman and works closely with its twenty-three-member board. His previous posts included the Maryland Governor's Drug and Alcohol Abuse Commission.

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BY PAUL ARPAIA

## THE "WORLD EXPO OF 1942," FASCISM, AND THE DEVIASE OF LIBERALISM IN ITALY



I am currently working in the Central State Archive (ACS). It contains documents relating to the national governments of Italy from the nineteenth century onward.

So, as a modern historian (that is, a specialist in Italian history post 1789), one usually works for long periods of time at the ACS. The archive is located in EUR, an area on the periphery of Rome and about ninety minutes by bus and subway from the center of Rome.

EUR is an incredible place to work. EUR stands for Esposizioni Universale Romana or Roman Universal Exposition (or World Exposition, as we say in the U.S.). EUR has its roots in Fascism. In 1935, Giuseppe Bottai, the governor of Rome and a would-be Fascist intellectual, came up with the idea of using Italy's role as host of the planned Expo for 1942 to add a new area to Rome that would showcase the Italian genius with, of course, Fascism at its pinnacle. Nineteen-forty-two was supposed to be a banner year. It would mark the twentieth anniversary of Mussolini's March on Rome, when King Victor Emanuel III had called upon the Duke of Fascism to form his first government. Another element in Bottai's plan was to make the 1942 Expo a permanent part of the urban landscape of Rome. (As a point of comparison, only two percent of the city had been built in the last two hundred

years remain from the World Exposition of 1893 in Chicago.)

Encyclopedias commonly call the architectural and artistic styles dating from the 1930s, which are found at EUR, "Fascist" architecture and "Fascist" art. But, Fascist architecture and art have as much to do with Fascism as, say, Victorian architecture does with Queen Victoria. Instead, the culture during the Fascist years (1922-1945) is much more nuanced. The main architect, Marcello Piacentini, aspired to a conception of modernity that left greater room for tradition. Admittedly, this definition is not very helpful unless one understands, along with the historian Eric Hobsbawm (*The Invention of Tradition*, 1983), that tradition is invented in the present and not bequeathed from the past.

Piacentini envisioned EUR as a seamless extension of Rome towards the south. The inspiration for the layout and buildings drew from ancient Roman and Renaissance ideas of architectural proportion and purpose. The new area was laid out along rational lines and geometric figures, punctuated by colossal buildings that imparted modern Italian greatness to the viewer. It was as if the



planners of EUR wanted viewers to see, through the materiality of EUR, how Fascist Italy had become the legitimate heir to Renaissance Italy and ancient Rome. EUR was also planned to celebrate the greatness of the Italian Renaissance through which many Italian intellectuals at the time hoped to assert Italian claims as the cradle of modern European civilization. There was an ulterior motive to the architecture and artistry of EUR. The Fascist government had geopolitical aspirations in the Mediterranean Sea and in Africa. During the first ten years of Fascist rule, the govern-

*Editor's Note: History Department professor Paul Arpaia is only the second IUP faculty member to win the Rome Prize (Daniel Perlongo of the Music Department was a Rome Prize winner in both 1970 and 1971 in musical composition. He took leave from IUP and was resident at the American Academy in Rome from 1970 to 1972.) Arpaia is filing dispatches to IUP Magazine throughout his year at the Academy. He sent this one in February.*

ment had finally put down a twenty-year Arab insurgency in Libya. In 1935 and 1936, the Fascist government had led a brutal conquest of Ethiopia, and now many Fascists set their sights on French and even British holdings in the Mediterranean.

Given this historical context, it is certainly understandable why most see EUR today solely as a Fascist celebration and evocation of the Roman Empire and an embarrassing example of Italian delusions of grandeur. Indeed, the association of ancient and modern Rome played a central part in the project, and it was made explicit in the inscription that still appears on the Hall of the Fountains: "The third Rome will expand beyond other hills and along the banks of the sacred river up to the Tyrrhenian shores" (that is, unified Italy as the "third Rome" and successor to ancient Rome—the "first Rome"—and Papal Rome—the "second Rome"). Some of the area's most important buildings date from the pre-World War II period, including the building that houses the ACS. Inscription notwithstanding, neither Fascist Italy nor EUR lived up to expectations. Defeat and Allied occupation in World War II saw to that! During the postwar period, building began again on EUR. But the inspiration for the new buildings was quite different, resulting in a curious hybrid

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urban landscape.

When you write on a topic long enough, it seems to pop up in uncanny ways. The same is true for EUR. Luigi Federzoni was the honorary president of Expo 1942. At the present stage of my research, I have not yet figured out his part in the planning of the area and the staging of the World Expo that never happened. Instead, I am working on Federzoni's tenure as Interior Minister from 1924 to 1926, a crucial period in Fascist history when Mussolini and his cabinet crushed liberal freedoms and created an authoritarian state, all behind a façade of constitutional legality. Indeed, after World War II, Federzoni's defense lawyers would make the valid argument before the High Court of Justice that tried him for his role in Fascism that he had never broken a single law!

Research is arduous work, and I am slowly working my way through boxes (literally) that contain thousands of memos, phonograms, telegrams, letters, and reports, trying to understand what Federzoni was up to. I have completed much of the work for 1924, and I am anxiously looking at the calendar, realizing that if I do not pick up my pace, I could run out of time.

Given the early stage in my research, it is impossible to make any conclusions. However, patterns do emerge. In 1924, Federzoni seems to have concentrated on two undertakings. Stopping Fascist violence and placing the disciplining of antifascists solely in the hands of the Italian police was Federzoni's first task. Muzzling the press was his second. As I continue to find out more, it becomes increasingly clear that there was not so much a Fascist seizure of power as a collapse of liberalism. The freedom of speech was the first liberal freedom that fell victim. With Federzoni's use of existing press laws and the creation of new ones, those who knew what the Fascists were up to found fewer and fewer people who would, or could, listen to them. Federzoni thus played a crucial role in the creation of the first totalitarian regime. 🐼

English professor **Lynne Alvine** was selected as the 2007 recipient of the Rewey Belle Inglis Award, a national award presented to a recipient judged an outstanding woman in English education by the National Council of Teachers of English. For Alvine, it reflects a lifetime of achievement in teaching and mentoring women in the field of English education.

A wall display on the first floor of Stouffer Hall was dedicated last fall to **Robert Murray**, who retired in 1987 from the IUP Communications Media Department. Hired in 1956 as the first and youngest faculty member with media training and experience, he was instrumental in creating the Department of Learning Resources and Mass Media, a precursor to the current Communications Media Department. He also founded Instructional Resource Services.

Throughout this academic year, IUP faculty members and students have taken part in a host of activities connected with IUP's 2007-2008 **Common Freshman Reader**. The book's author, Elizabeth Kolbert, visited campus in early March to discuss *Field Notes from a Catastrophe: Man, Nature, and Climate Change*. A few weeks earlier, artist

**Ann Rosenthal** lectured on "Climate Change: Can Imagination Save Us?" Her lecture coincided with the Kipp Gallery exhibition *Four Degrees. Artistic Views on Climate Change*. Also in February, a panel comprising the following faculty members discussed "The Impact of Global Warming on Society and Our Response to It": University Professor **Steven Hovan** (Geoscience), **Brian Okey** (Geography and Regional Planning), **David Yerger** (Economics), and **Timothy Nuttle** (Biology). Clips from a British film, *The Great Global Swindle*, were shown and introduced by Hovan the week before the panel discussion.

Anthropology professor **Miriam Chaiken** was one of nine finalists in the Chicken Recipe category of the Food Network's *Ultimate Recipe Showdown*. The segment in which Chaiken appeared aired in mid-February. She told the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* that her recipe for African Ground Nut Stew was inspired by years of living in Africa. The winner in her category (who, unfortunately, was not Chaiken) was to take home \$25,000 and perhaps have his or her recipe featured at T.G.I. Friday's restaurants nationwide.



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🌀 **ENGINES AND YOGA** As director of the Indiana Small Business Development Center in the Eberly College of Business and Information Technology, Tony Palamone oversees an operation of as many as one hundred clients a year. Among them are Jill Fiore M'97 D'03 and her Sunflower Yoga Studio on Indiana's Philadelphia Street. Tony was very helpful in showing me how to write a business plan and how to acquire funding and account for expenses. Fiore said, "He offered a lot of practical advice about how to open a new business." Over the years, three of the SBDC's clients most recently Slowboy Racing, have made *Inc. Magazine's* list of the 500 fastest growing privately held firms in the U.S.

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## More than a Wedding

**K**atie (Bailey) McCabe graduated from IUP's Robert E. Cook Honors College in 2001. An English/pre-law major, she currently works in Marketing at FactSet Research Systems in Norwalk, Conn. McCabe's stepfather, Robert Alico, taught microbiology at IUP for thirty-two years before retiring in 2000.

When Katie Bailey was planning her April 2007 wedding to Owen McCabe, a friend told her about the I Do Foundation ([www.idofoundation.org](http://www.idofoundation.org)). The site brings charitable giving to weddings by allowing couples to opt for direct gifts to a charity, for gifts tied to traditional vendors' wedding registries, or for gifts in lieu of the favors normally given guests at wedding receptions.

"As soon as I heard about the foundation," McCabe said, "I knew I wanted to contribute to the IUP scholarship my parents had started in memory of my stepbrother, Robert Alico, Jr. He was an art major at IUP who died in 1992 at age twenty-six from cystic fibrosis." Each year, she said, the Alico scholarship supports outstanding junior art majors with GPAs above 3.2.

Not surprisingly, the scholarship wasn't on the I Do Foundation's list of charities. But, McCabe said, "Getting everything approved and set up was a breeze. Both the I Do Foundation and the Foundation for IUP were extremely friendly and helpful, and within a few days, all the arrangements were made. Really, I could have chosen any fund at IUP for our donations."

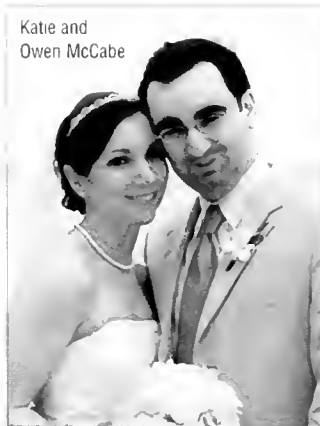
The couple offered their guests two ways to contribute to the scholarship—one active and one passive. First, instead of giving the couple wedding gifts, guests could visit their wedding website (which had the prefix [www.idofoundation.org](http://www.idofoundation.org)) and choose Charity Registry. This way, money would go directly to the scholarship.

If guests instead chose to purchase tangible gifts for the couple and went to the Amazon or Target gift registries by way of the couple's website, a portion of the purchase price was automatically donated to the scholarship at no cost to the buyer. Simply by linking to these sites from their I Do webpage, the McCabes assured that about 5 percent of what their guests spent on gifts went to the scholarship.

The couple also chose to forgo guest favors, instead making an additional donation to the scholarship. Through the I Do Foundation, they ordered favor cards that let their guests know they'd made a donation in their honor. By purchasing some of their wedding items, e.g., a cake cutter, from the foundation's on-line store, they made even more donations.

All told, the McCabes raised more than \$2,500 for the scholar-

Katie and Owen McCabe



Courtesy of Katie McCabe

ship—and got married at the same time. "We had invited only around 100 people to our destination wedding," McCabe said. "Of the amount we raised, approximately \$750 came from the Charity Registry, \$500 from the donation in lieu of favors, \$300 from vendors' gift registries, and the rest from company matching."

"We wanted our wedding to be not only about the two of us but also about sharing our joy with others through the scholarship while honoring my stepbrother, who could not be with us," she said. "From the emphasis the Honors College places on personal responsibility and philanthropy, I know other alumni (and all IUP alumni) may want to use their time of personal celebration to give back, too." 🐾

## Nutrition Beyond Borders

By Stephanie Mlot

**M**ost people's daily lives include sleep, social interaction, and food. The last is most important to junior Dietetics major and Robert E. Cook Honors College member Janelle Porter.

"I had an internship last summer with an organization called Food for the Hungry (FH)," Porter said. The association works in more than a score of developing countries, providing disaster and emergency relief for inhabitants. Among FH's programs are child development, HIV/AIDS, health, and Porter's area of expertise: food.

"I went to Bolivia with the organization and helped it with a study of the local determinants of malnutrition," Porter said. Her research consisted of surveying mothers of children between birth and fifty-nine months, who are living in the mountainous and rural regions of Cochabamba, Bolivia.

The survey asked the women about health care, child care, and child feeding practices, as well as psychosocial issues—depression and alcoholism. "I helped gather information for the survey," she explained. "I went to the communities where the survey was issued and entered and analyzed data from the study."

Since her internship ended, Porter has been working on completing an Independent Study, based on her research, with Food and Nutrition professor Rita Johnson.

During her first study-abroad experience, Porter spent a lot of time



"just observing and soaking it all in." She says the dichotomy of the social classes is what amazed her the most. "It reminded me that I was thankful to live in America," she said, "but it also put a permanent soft place in my heart for people who don't even have a basic necessity of life: good, healthy food."

When not researching culture and food in foreign countries, Porter plays ice hockey for the IUP's women's club team and serves as one of the Community Committee leaders for the Student Dietetics Association.

Porter takes pride in her work and believes that people "should not limit themselves to just what they see in front of them, but get outside of their comfort zone and really think about the amazing things we can do by studying nutrition."

Of her days in Bolivia, Porter said, "The experience gave me a taste of research and got me really excited about doing it in the future."



Janelle Porter



#### **IUP President's Medal of Distinction**

To Rodney Ruddock '65, M'75 and Ellen Sylves Ruddock '66, in recognition of their dedication, support, and service to the university, community, and nation.

#### **Kennedy Center Regional Competition Selection**

An IUP Department of Theater and Dance production of *The Beauty Queen of Leenane* was selected for regional competition at the **Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival**. It was the fifth time in six years an IUP production had been so honored.

#### **Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarships**

Awarded to three IUP students for study abroad this semester: Student Trustee Chad Buckwalter (China); Natalie McCauley (Russia); and Chad Shelly (Australia). The three were among only four hundred scholarship winners nationwide.

#### **Freeman Awards for Study in Asia**

Given to four IUP students for study abroad this semester: Student Trustee Chad Buckwalter (China); Caitlin Howgard (Japan); Erin Knisley (Japan); and Christopher Peperato (China). Only five hundred students are selected nationally for the awards.

#### **Small Business Institute® 2008 Case of the Year Awards**

First- and Third-Place Undergraduate and Second-Place Graduate to IUP's Small Business Institute for faculty-guided, student-based field case projects in 2006-2007 with clients Four Footed Friends, Seeds of Faith Christian Academy, and OnStage, respectively.

Keith Boyer

# Distinguished

# Awards



Twelve alumni were honored with 2008 Distinguished Alumni Awards at a gala sponsored by the IUP Alumni Association. Biographies of the winners are featured in this magazine and on an earlier page accessible from [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine).



The recipient of Distinguished Alumni Award for 2008 is **David Reddecliff '82**, a computer science professor and president of the University of Illinois at Chicago. He is a member of the IEEE, ACM, and the American Association of University Professors. He has received several awards for his research and teaching, including the IEEE Computer Society Award for Distinguished Contributions to the Field of Computer Science.

He is also a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the National Academy of Engineering. He has been a visiting professor at several universities and has received several honorary degrees.

**Alberto Rey '82** is a professor of Music at the University of Maryland, College Park. He is the director of the School of Music and the director of the Center for Music and the Brain. He has received several awards for his research and teaching, including the National Endowment for the Arts Award for Distinguished Achievement in the Field of Music. He has also received several honorary degrees and has been a visiting professor at several universities.



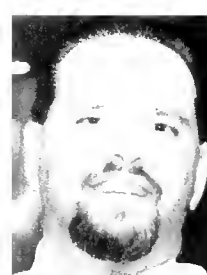
**Thomas Rumbaugh '81** is a professor of International Monetary Economics in the Department of Economics at the University of Illinois at Chicago. He has received several awards for his research and teaching, including the National Endowment for the Arts Award for Distinguished Achievement in the Field of Music. He has also received several honorary degrees and has been a visiting professor at several universities.

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**Jerry Salandro M'78** is an entrepreneur, inventor, and innovator of video technology software who more than 20 years ago founded IRIS Technologies. Today, the privately held Greensburg company is creator and producer of the Midea Commander, the world's first icon-based electronic routing system. Salandro headed the largest training effort (five thousand employees) in Greensburg's history when he was education and training manager for the Midea Corporation of America. The holder of several patents, Salandro also speaks to students, coaches, and mentors across the country on creating environments in which "people can do their best work."

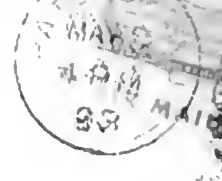
The recipient of Distinguished Alumni Award for 2008 is **Ruth Shirey '65**, earned M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Tennessee. She returned to the University of Tennessee to teach in the Department of Planning for more than 20 years. She has been a faculty member in the Department of Planning and the College of Business Administration. She has received several awards for her research and teaching, including the National Endowment for the Arts Award for Distinguished Achievement in the Field of Music. She has also received several honorary degrees and has been a visiting professor at several universities.



**Jeffrey Shockey '80** is corporate safety director for Alcoa Inc., the company with which he has spent his entire working life, fulfilling his expertise in safety, health, and environment. In his current role as Pittsburgh headquarters, he develops strategies to improve the company's global safety performance and reduce lost time injuries and to prevent fatalities worldwide for both employees and contractors. Alcoa has plants in 15 countries. Throughout his career, he has been a member of Alcoa with the IUP Safety Sciences Department. He has been a frequent co-op opportunities, recruiting graduates, and assisting in funding grants and scholarships through the Alcoa Foundation.

# Letters

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## President's Home Not Considered

For sixteen years I have been proud of the multiple-award-winning *IUP Magazine*, and have never before spotted an error. In the interest of protecting the integrity of the public record, however, I need to address a misimpression in the Winter 2008 edition. A caption on page 9 refers to our purchase of "more than one hundred...acres, for construction of a house for the university president."

When in the mid-1990s we acquired the 137 acres for a "south campus," there was no thought being given to using it as a site for the executive residence. At that time trustees were looking at available homes in the community. The land acquisition was part of a larger goal to greatly expand recreational opportunities for IUP students. The plan included expansion of the student union building and the addition of new turf and lighting for Miller Stadium, as well as providing playing fields for various sports on the new property. Also envisioned for the south campus was a "regional development complex," now evolved into the Kovalchick Convention and Athletic Complex, at a more appropriate location, and a university-run hotel to serve the facility. We had also projected the eventual appearance on this land of student family housing. It was only later, after purchase of an existing home for the president's official residence fell through, that we decided to build the much-needed facility on the south campus.

No president, even I, would have been so blatant as to seek trustee and System approval to buy over one hundred acres of valuable land for the sole purpose of building a new president's home—but it is altogether probable, human nature and university politics being what they are, that such a charge would be made and believed. Thus the need for this clarification.

Lawrence K. Pettit  
IUP President, 1992-2003  
Helena, Mont.

## Return to Sender

I received my Winter 2008 *IUP Magazine* issue today. As I read it from cover to cover, I realized I have most of the issues (also *Oak Leaves*).

Do you know of any group who would use and enjoy these magazines? I am retired and as I downsize, I am trying to find "homes" for many of my books, etc.

Numerous relatives, including my mother, Helen C. Warner Henry '26, and sister, Bernice C. Henry Albitz Ott '63, also graduated from IUP.

S. Marlene Henry Greene '55  
San Jose, Calif.

*(Editor's Note: The magazine staff would be especially delighted to receive extra copies of magazines that bear the Oak Leaves nameplate.)*

## Picture of Pride

I am a 1981 graduate of IUP, and my son is currently enrolled at the university. I love IUP and was delighted when he chose it. I was particularly happy when he decided to participate in the marching band ("The Legend").

My wife and I enjoyed watching the performances every opportunity we could. In fact, my son Vincent wrote the percussion part of IUP's fight song. His last performance as a band member was at Heinz Hall in November 2007. I loved the picture of this event on page 6 of the Winter 2008 magazine and was wondering if there was any way I could get a copy of it. It would be a wonderful memento of his time at IUP. Please let me know how I could acquire a copy. Thanks for your work on the magazine.

Mark Wallace '81  
Pitcairn, Pa.

Courtesy of IUP Special Collections



Dana Letzter Lugassy

● **TRAGIC AND SENSELESS:** In 2000, the year after she completed her doctorate in Paris, writing her dissertation on street children of Rio de Janeiro and nongovernmental organizations to aid them, Delphine Douyère '92 founded her own NGD, Terr'Ativa. Located in Rio near Copacabana beach, it sought to improve education for children and adolescents from Brazil's poorest communities. In February 2007, she was brutally murdered, along with her husband, Christian Doupes, and their colleague, Jérôme Faure, in the organization's office. One of the three assailants was a former street kid she had helped years before and had later hired as an accountant. Among her survivors is her son, Max, now three. A friend from her time at IUP, Dana Letzter Lugassy '93, took this picture of Douyère in 1989. She said she has heard from Douyère's IUP friends in Cypress, Turkey, Holland, Venezuela, Brazil, and Japan. "They are all mourning her tragic, senseless death, too," she said. Those wanting to extend condolences to Douyère's mother may contact Lugassy at [DLetzter@aol.com](mailto:DLetzter@aol.com).

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## IUP



## Designation of Codes

- AA** Associate of Arts Degree
- CA** Academy of Culinary Arts
- D** Doctoral Degree
- M** Master's Degree

### ● 1940s

Last fall, **Paul Spears '49** received the 55th Golden Deeds award from the Hanover (Pa.) Exchange Club. The *Evening Sun* described the award as "recognition of decades of service to the community, particularly his part in the founding of the Hanover YMCA." According to Jack Rego, the YMCA's CEO, "Mr. Spears is our hero. The man is unbelievable." A Western Pennsylvania native, Paul moved to Hanover, the hometown of his wife, **Josephine Frey Spears '48**, in 1953.

### ● 1950s

The family of **Nancy Tobin Truxal '51** and **Carl Truxal '52** is the subject of a Lifestyles Web Exclusive story on the *IUP Magazine* website ([www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine)). The story was written by Nicole Novak and Lori Lamberski and photographed by IUP faculty member Richard Lamberski.

**Gloria Kriner Hutzler '57** and her husband, Raymond, live in Springdale, Pa. News about their daughters—all connected with IUP—appears in the Class Notes section for 1988 and 1989 in this issue.

### ● 1960s

**Lt. Gen. Joseph Laposata '60** is a new trustee of Excelsior College in Albany, N.Y., a recognized leader in on-line education. About one-fourth of the college's thirty-three thousand students are active duty or reserve military personnel. Loe, who is retired after thirty-three years in the Army, has a master's degree from Cornell and has been highly decorated for his military service. He is currently a lecturer and mentor for the senior class of ROTC cadets at Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne, not far from where he and his wife, **Anita Sabo Laposata '61**, live in Viera.

Classmates and friends of **Larry Panaia '65, M'71** were saddened at his death in January. As one of the university's most active alumni, he coached football and for decades filled an astonishing array of volunteer leadership positions. With his wife, **Carole Churchill Panaia '88**, Larry raised three daughters, one of whom (**Carla Panaia Kologie**) graduated from the university the same year as her mother. The Larry R. Panaia Endowed Scholarship for Football is housed in the Foundation for IUP. On June 26, the football program will dedicate its golf outing at Chestnut Ridge on the Tom's Run course to Larry's memory.

At Indiana's Leaders Circle awards event in March, **Rodney Ruddock '65, M'75** and **Ellen Sylves Ruddock '66** were pre-

sented the IUP President's Medal of Distinction in recognition of their dedication, support, and service to the university, community, and nation. Rod retired as a major general after a thirty-seven-year military career and also completed thirty-five years in public education, retiring as principal of Indiana Area Senior High School. Now, he is in his second term as Indiana County commissioner and serves as commission chair. Retired from a career that encompassed business, education, and civic pursuits, Ellen was the first ATHENA Award winner in Pennsylvania and was one of Pennsylvania's 50 Best Women in Business in 1999.

**Rolando Toccafondi '65**, principal of Wilson Elementary School, recently retired from the Christina School District in Newark, Del., after more than forty years of service to the district in various capacities. The school from which he retired has both won the National Blue Ribbon Award and been designated a National Distinguished Title I institution. He is also a retired colonel from the U.S. Army Reserves.

**Karen Haupt Merrill '68** was selected as the Washington Area Education Association 2007 Elementary Art Teacher of the Year. She teaches at Oak Harbor Elementary, Whidbey Island. For thirty years, Karen lived in New York State, moving to the Northwest in 2001. Her photo appears in Web Extra at

[www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine), along with an example of her students' work.

### ● 1970s

**James Scahill '70** and **Patricia Hill Kirkpatrick '79, M'96** are two-thirds of the Armstrong County (Pa.) commissioners elected last fall.

**Diane Cranisky Stamps '70** has four children: Jason (deceased in 1998), Lauren, Justin, and Christopher.

In 1973, **Diane Carrig '71** met Alan Claycomb when both were new teachers. A few years later, both married (other people), and, in 2002, after twenty-five years of marriage, both were widowed. Now, they are partners—in life and in business. Married in 2005, the Claycombs own Harmony Antiques, an Altoona area shop established in 1970. A year after their marriage, Diane retired from teaching first grade in the Altoona Area School District.

Last fall, **Vito DonGiovanni '72, M'75, D'88** followed the Pittsburgh Steelers to Arizona for a game and enjoyed a Class of 1972 reunion in Tucson with **Barb Crowley Armenta**, **Chuck Edmonds**, **Mary Beth Rudolph Edmonds**, and **Glee McCauley**. A photo can be found in Web Extra at [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine).

**Susan Lieb Phillips '74** and her husband, Jeff, are the parents of three graduates of IUP's Robert E. Cook Honors College. Jesse, Anna, and Zoe have all undertaken or completed advanced studies. News about

them can be found in Class Notes from the 2000s in this issue.

**Karen Stuckman Jurkovic '75** was appointed by the Westmoreland County (Pa.) commissioners to the board of the newly formed Westmoreland Land Trust and was elected the group's secretary. She is a communications consultant, specializing in conservation and environmental topics, and also serves on the Citizens Advisory Board of the Westmoreland Bureau of Parks and Recreation and as president of the Greensburg United Democrats.

**Cathy Turano Ingham '77** provided the following report, which she called "All For a Good Cause." When **Tim "Muttz" Whelan '76** lost his year-and-a-half-long battle with cancer, his fraternity brothers wanted to do some-

thing to honor his memory. As a member of Theta Xi fraternity, every year Tim would travel to Harrisburg for a special golf weekend with his fraternity brothers. After Tim's death, several of his frat brothers met for dinner at Grand View Golf Club in North Braddock to discuss continuing the tradition with a memorial golf outing. Fraternity brother **Vern Ingham '75** immediately contacted Tim's sister, Suzy Whelan, to rally family and friends, and the stage was set for the Tim "Muttz" Whelan Memorial Golf Outing, which was held last May. Tim was an avid golfer and belonged to a league at Grand View, which was the obvious choice to host the event, since one of the owners of the club, **Pat Lanigan '72**, a close friend of Tim's, was also one of Tim's fraternity brothers and owner of Lanigan Funeral

Home in East Pittsburgh, where Tim's services were held. Twenty-six Theta Xi fraternity brothers from seven states as far away as Florida and Texas came to the "Muttz Classic." It was a sweet reunion for the fraternity brothers, since many of them had not been together since graduation more than thirty years earlier. Three Theta Chi fraternity brothers also joined in the festivities. Tim's sister, Suzy, also rallied Tim's family, friends, and coworkers. The response was overwhelming! The weather was perfect, as 110 golfers played eighteen holes and were later joined by another eighty people who attended the post-event dinner and celebration, all which honored Tim's memory and benefited Forbes Hospice. Twenty-three tee sponsorships were received from corporations and individuals. Several people who

couldn't make it sent donations for the hospice. Suzy's employer, Trafalgar Tours, donated a tour of Ireland, which was auctioned off to benefit the hospice. The event raised more than \$6,000, which will help purchase new bed chairs for patient rooms. These chairs are unique, in that they can be converted to beds, so that family members can comfortably stay with their loved ones. The golf outing coordinators refer to them as the Muttz Chairs. "While my brother was in the hospital, my family and I spent many nights sleeping in uncomfortable chairs," Suzy said. "We are thrilled our donation will be used to make families comfortable as they stay with their loved ones at Hospice." Muttz loved his family and friends and loved to joke around and have a great time. The "Muttz Classic" was a per-

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fect tribute to a life well lived. (Note: There are golf outing photos in Web Extra at [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine).)

**Leslie Begala Bodnarchuk '79, M'89** and her daughter, Alexandra, spent two weeks last August volunteering at St. Nicholas Orphanage in Medzilaborce, Slovakia. Situated in

the Carpathian mountains in the northeast corner of the country, the town is home to the *other* Andy Warhol Museum. (The artist's parents came from nearby Mikova.) An art teacher at Pittsburgh's Shady Side Academy, Leslie did a number of Warhol-based art projects with the orphanage's

children, and both she and Alexandra, a Shady Side senior, taught English. On this, their second trip to Slovakia, they also located and visited some long-lost cousins. Photos are in Web Extra at [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine).

**Mary McShane Boyle '78** sent a message to the magazine to report the death of her mother, Martha McShane, who worked at IUP for many years. ("Before computers," Nancy Newkirk is quoted as saying, "we had Martha.") Mary's brother is **Paul McShane '74**, and her sister is **Patricia McShane Clark '72**.

A Florida resident for more than a quarter-century, **Thomas Servinsky '79** was the subject of a profile in Florida's Treasure Coast newspapers. A registered piano technician, he cares for concert instruments in such venues as the Kravis Center in West Palm Beach, the Lyric Theatre in Stuart, and aboard the luxury liner *Queen Elizabeth II*. He has traveled around the world with performers. "I am one of the Steinway Concert Artist technicians," he said, "so when their pianos go out to the artists, I am the guy who goes with the piano."

## ● 1980s

The president and chief operating officer of Firsttrust Bank, **Tim Abell '82** will be honored in June by the Father's Day Council and the American Diabetes Association of Central/Southeastern and Southern New Jersey with a Father of the Year Award. He's in good company (see the note below about **Tim Pulte '85**.)

When Mellon Financial Corporation merged with the Bank of New York last year, **Mary Jo Dressel '82** was the human resources integration manager on behalf of Mellon. Because of her performance,

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she was selected as one of four employees (out of forty thousand) to represent BNYMellon on the New York Stock Exchange podium for the opening bell last July 2. A photo of the occasion is in Web Extra at [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine).

The family of **Dale McLeod '82** and his wife, **Susan Truxal McLeod '79**, is the subject of a Lifestyles Web Exclusive story on the *IUP Magazine* website ([www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine)). The story was written by Nicole Novak and Lori Lamberski and photographed by IUP faculty member Richard Lamberski.

Pittsburgher **Dan Kerr '83** is president of Alchemy Studios, producers of the horror film *Stanton Hill*, due for release this spring. (Details are at [stantonhillthemovie.com](http://stantonhillthemovie.com).) He also has interests in a camping company and a Swedish high-end men's skin care line.

Former *Penn* editor **Herb Pinder '83** won the New York State Associated Press Association's top prize for editorial writing for 2006-07. As editorial page editor of the *Westchester Journal News*, Herb (who has a law degree from Temple) had written a series of editorials calling for an independent inquiry into the wrongful murder conviction of Jeffrey Deskovic, exonerated by the Innocence Project. In his award category, Herb was up against competition from the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, and other major metropolitan dailies.

**Timothy Solla '83** retired in December after twenty-three years as police chief of Westmoreland County's Allegheny Township Police Department. He currently works for Medco Global Security as security supervisor of the North Versailles pharmacy facility.

The head of St. Mary Medical Center's Marketing and



● **WHAT IT'S LIKE:** For two and a half days late last fall, students in faculty member Caleb Finegan's First-Year Experience pilot course inhabited a makeshift tent city in front of Keith Hall that simulated homelessness. Cassidy Pittman, left, and Genna Chilson gained perspective on what it's like to be homeless in Western Pennsylvania with winter closing in. Finegan is also the founder and faculty advisor behind IUP's Alternative Spring Break program, which this year sent more than eighty students to work at four sites in eastern Tennessee, central Texas, New Orleans, and Vermont on projects related to trail building, hurricane relief, and animal rights.

Communications Department, **Patrick Donahue '84** is proud of five awards for health care communications excellence recently won by the department in collaboration with a freelance writer. Located in Langhorne, Pa., St. Mary is the most comprehensive medical center in Bucks County.

**Rebecca Sterley M'84** is advisor advocate in Information Technology Services at IUP. When the unit was among the first to occupy the Suites on Grant, she created cyber artwork to enliven the surroundings. "Basically, my 'circuitryRecycled' creative works are about fun!" she said. Using pieces of castoff technology—circuitry, motherboards, fans, wires, etc.—she not only created art but recycled what would otherwise have been discarded. According to University Architect Patti Andritz, "The pieces are displayed throughout the IT Services offices and really add a great touch!" Two examples, "Disked Up" and "Silica Infusion," can be seen in Web Extra on the *IUP Magazine* website.

**Paul Casoni '85** is a founder

and partner, with his brother Peter, of Claims Resource Services, a multi-million-dollar insurance subrogation company. Situated in a new building in San Jose, Calif., CRS with its fifty-person staff (speaking, among them, eight languages) processes thousands of cases each year. The company's client list includes the nation's largest property and casualty carriers, as well as many regional carriers.

As part of Catholic Schools Week in February, **Cynthia Carricato Marsili '85** was recognized by the *Catholic Accent*, the Greensburg (Pa.) Diocesan newspaper, for her twenty-two years of devotion and commitment as a Catholic educator. She and her husband, **Dennis Marsili '84, M'03**, live in New Kensington.

**Tim Pulte '85** and **Laura Demyanek Pulte '85** were invited to a Valentine's Day party at the White House. Photos of them, including one taken in the East Room, are in *IUP Magazine's* Web

Extra at [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine). In June, Tim will be honored by the Father's Day Council and the American Diabetes Association of Central/Southeastern and Southern New Jersey with a Father of the Year Award.

**Jeff Chiaravalle '86** is director of interconnection and roaming for Crossroads Wireless in Oklahoma City.

In December, graphic designer **Linda Toki '87** received the U.S. Farm Credit Administration Distinguished Service Award. According to the FCA chairman, "Wherever you come into contact with the agency, in the halls, in FCA publications, or browsing the FCA website, you are likely to benefit from Linda's talents in making the products and environment of FCA a little more special." Linda's photo is in Web Extra at [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine).

**Carla Hutzler Liberati '88** is a reading specialist in the Pine-Richland School District and the recipient of an M.Ed. degree in 2002 from the University of Pittsburgh. Her sister, **Nancy Hutzler Shipley '89**, is a busi-

ness teacher at Deer Lakes High School, and Nancy's husband, **Wesley Shipley '89**, is program director for the Freeport (Pa.) Area School District. He received an M.Ed. degree from Youngstown State University in 1998. Carla and Nancy's sister, **Susan Hutzler Venatta**, is an interior design instructor at IUP and is married to **Robert Venatta '89**, an electrical contractor. The mother of Carla, Nancy, and Susan is **Gloria Kriner Hutzler '57**.

### ● 1990s

Doylestown resident **James Cole '90** has been named a shareholder in the Philadelphia law firm of Marshall, Dennehey, Warner, Coleman & Goggin. A 1999 graduate of Temple's law school, he is chairman of the firm's Property Practice Group.

**Jonathan Sinclair '90** had a hand in creating and developing *Oprah's Big Give* and serves as its senior assistant producer. He has been involved in Oprah Winfrey productions for about a dozen years. In this prime-time show, which had its debut for eight episodes in early March, ten people from across the country are given money and challenged to use it to help total strangers.

An alert reader in Southern California spotted a profile of **Amy Brown '91** in the *Press-Enterprise*. The general manager of the Promenade Shops at Dos Lagos in Corona, Amy commented on the transition of malls to "lifestyle centers," complete with movies, shopping, and dining.

A photo of Marine Corps **Capt. Sean Wright '92** and information about him appears in the Web Extra section of [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine). He has served two tours in Iraq, where he ran into a fellow IUP alumnus, **Scott Shick '00**, pictured with him on the Web.

The October 2007 issue of *Atlanta* magazine mentioned **Keith Kodosky '93** as a Georgia Super Lawyers Rising Star. He practices with the Atlanta firm of Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP.

When **Kimberly Thompson '94, '99** married Douglass Leader in November 2006, **Amy Wood Kennedy '94** officiated at the ceremony. The Thompson Leaders live in Harrisburg.

**Trina Hess M'95** is an ABD doctoral candidate in Adult and Workforce Education at Penn State with research interests that include learning identity during career change and using humor and laughter to cope with life transitions. A humorist who regularly performs stand-up comedy and conducts humor workshops with her company, Your Shining Example, she is pictured in Web Extra at [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine).

Attorney **Rachel Fenger O'Driscoll '95** has been elected treasurer of the Board of Directors of Pittsburgh's Nine Mile Run Watershed Association.

A familiar face flashing before one's eyes as one watches TV may be **Alison Hughes Lumbatis '96**, currently appearing in a national commercial for Hasbro's Electronic Monopoly. A photo of Alison appears in Web Extra at [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine).

When **Megan Akers '97** and Joseph Rovnak were married two years ago, **Corinne Boyer Miller '96, M'01** was matron of honor and **Brandy Shiring Akers '00** was among the bridesmaids. Megan received master's and J.D. degrees from American University and passed the Virginia bar exam; she now works for the federal government. Megan's mother, **Peggy Akers AA'92**, worked in IUP's Admissions office.

### ● 2000s

**Tonya Anthony '00, M'03** received the Leadership Award at last October's conference of the Pennsylvania Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators. A financial aid counselor at Millersville University, she has been treasurer of the nine-hundred-member PASFAA since 2006.

**Karen Fisherowski Konnick '00** has served as director of marketing and communications for Family Services of Montgomery County (Pa.) for more than five years. Recently, she received the agency's Outstanding Service Award in recognition of her "outstanding marketing and communications efforts in promoting the mission of the agency." A photo of her at the awards ceremony appears in Web Extra at [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine).

Marine Corps **Capt. Scott Shick '00** has carried his IUP flag to Iraq three times and is pictured with it in the Web Extra section of [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine). Also in the photo is fellow alumnus **Sean Wright '92**. More information about Scott appears on the Web, including his next stop: Pensacola, Fla., as an instructor pilot.

When **Mandy Estnick '01, M'06** married Ernie Cooper last July, a number of IUP alumni were guests at the wedding, and their photo appears in Web Extra at [www.iup.edu/magazine](http://www.iup.edu/magazine). Mandy is a learning support teacher in Somerset County's Berlin Brothersvalley School District.

During Mercedes-Benz Fashion Week last September in New York, designs of **James Yost '03** were shown. An alumnus of San Francisco's Academy of Art University, he collaborated with textile designer Sharon Chia-yu Yeh on a sustainable collection that

used organic, conventional, and reused fabrics, including parachute, and natural dyes.

In mid-January and again in mid-February, **Haider Mullick '04, M'07** was a Guest Voice addressing Pakistani issues on the PostGlobal website sponsored by *Newsweek* and the *Washington Post*. The site is an interactive conversation on global issues moderated by Fareed Zakaria, *Newsweek* international editor, and David Ignatius of the *Post*.

Robert E. Cook Honors graduate **Jesse Phillips '05** received a postgraduate scholarship for master's degree studies in international studies and diplomacy at the Whitehead School of Diplomacy at Seton Hill University. He was awarded the degree last May.

When **Abby Kouger Keil '05** and **Brian Keil '07** were married in 2006, **Debi Kral '04** was a bridesmaid and **Greg Brown '04** was a groomsman. Both Abby and Brian are assistant admissions directors for Education Management Corporation in Pittsburgh.

When **Joanna Shimkus Connor '06** was married last fall, **Erin Kuhn '06, Andrea Vasquez '06, and Brittany Kutcher '07** were bridesmaids.

Having earned certification as an athletic trainer, **Zane Heiple '06, M'07** has accepted a position at Allegheny Chesapeake Physical Therapy in its Ebensburg (Pa.) Outpatient Office. Sites at which he performs his duties include Bishop Carroll High School and clinical locations in Cambria County.

This is the second academic year in which **Marybeth Large '06** is living and working in Spain, teaching English to native Spanish speakers.

**Anna Phillips '06**, a Robert E. Cook Honors College graduate, is in her second year of study at Logan College of Chiropractic in St. Louis. Her sister,

Zoe Phillips '07, also an Honors College alumna, is in her first year at Pennsylvania College of Optometry in Philadelphia.

## Weddings

### ● 1960s

Diane Kunz Buck '69 to Jerry Hagan '69, M'75, December 28, 2007.

### ● 1970s

Diane Carrig Seery '71 to Alan Claycomb, June 20, 2005.

### ● 1990s

Kimberly Thompson '94, '99 to Douglass Leader, November 11, 2006. Ginger Painter '96 to Kevin Fox, October 6, 2007. Megan Akers '97 to Joseph Rovnak, April 8, 2006. Cynthia Springs '98 to Mark Buchvalt, October 20, 2007.

### ● 2000s

Mandy Estnick '01, M'06 to Ernie Cooper, July 14, 2007. Amber Gillung '02 to Brett Siar, May 6, 2006. Abby Kougher '05 to Brian Keil '07, August 19, 2006. Shannon Kosaher M'06 to James Petrunak M'06, July 21, 2007. Joanna Shimkus '06 to James Connor, October 20, 2007.

## Arrivals

### ● 1980s

To Cindy Haigh '84, M'92 and Tandy Rice, a son, Dorian, November 8, 2007.

### ● 1990s

To Tammy Fronk Jackson '91 and Christopher Jackson '92, a son, Levi Christopher, November 12, 2007. To Rebecca Iriarte Bochmann '94 and David Bochmann, a daughter, Piper Lilia, June 1, 2006. To Jason

Reed '94 and So-Kyung Kwak, a son, Logan, December 4, 2007. To Rachel Fenger O'Driscoll '95 and Sean O'Driscoll, a son, Rory William, November 2, 2005, and a daughter, Maeve Elaine, October 9, 2007. To Erin Ziemba Black '97 and Aaron Black '99, a son, Cameron Scott, May 18, 2005, and a daughter, Madelyn Grace, November 20, 2007. To Chad Cooke '97, M'01 and Kelli Cooke, a daughter, Josephine Ann, December 22, 2007. To Mario Hardison '97 and Trina Terry Hardison '97, a son, Omari, August 30, 2007. To Adam Scott '97 and Jennifer Onufro Scott '99, M'01, a daughter, Kathryn May, November 18, 2007. To Sue Rowles Diehl '98 and Thad Diehl, a son, Cash Warren, September 28, 2007. To Karen Tritch Sadler '98 and Sean Sadler '01, M'02, a son, Evan Ronald, January 2, 2008. To

Melissa Townsend-Fisher '99, M'00 and Christopher Fisher, a daughter, Sara Grace, October 9, 2007.

### ● 2000s

To Shannon Hippler Mihalacki '01 and Stephen Mihalacki '01, a son, John Stephen, December 21, 2007. To Stephanie Johnson Zander '01 and Chris Zander, a daughter, Reese Kathleen, August 21, 2007. To Stephanie Sterling Mulkerin '02 and Bill Mulkerin, a son, Nicholas Sterling, September 12, 2007. To Amber Gillung Siar '02 and Brett Siar, a daughter, Corinne Nicole, December 13, 2007. To Jason Young '02 and Lindsay Young, a son, Alexander Boyd, August 21, 2007. To Melissa Barnes Kaplafka '03 and Kevin Kaplafka, a daughter, Sage Margaret, June 25, 2007. To Jeanine Spangrud Almario '04 and Neil Almario,

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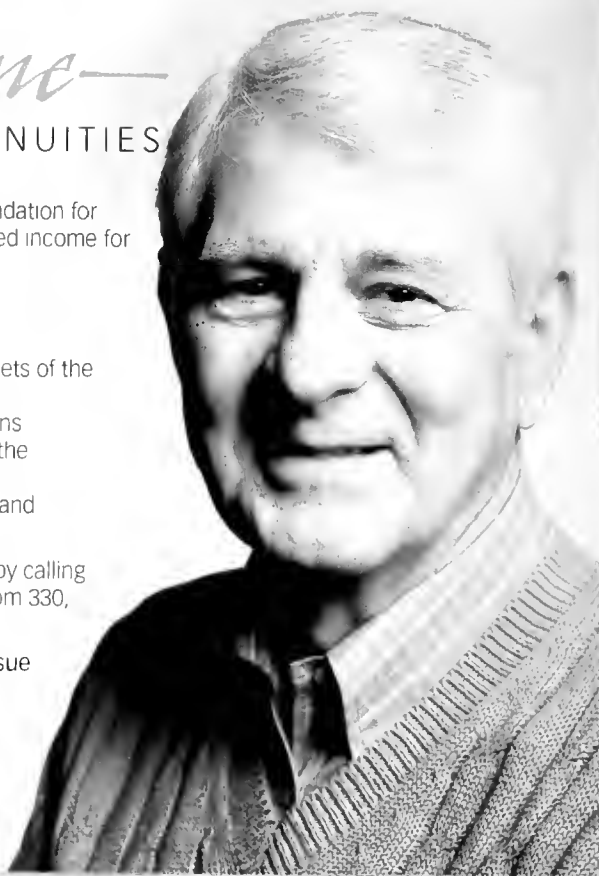
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a daughter, Gianna Nicole, September 11, 2007.

## Deaths

**1926:** Blanche Beerman.  
**1928:** Hazel Patterson Smith.

**1933:** James Remley, Ann Hoskinson Kunkle, Mary Fulmer Trasp. **1934:** Ann Chavlovich, Edythe Johnston McCauley. Virginia Ackerson Neal. **1935:** Elvira Wientge Dills, Margaret Long Jarvie, James Steffey. **1937:** Lillian Morgan Farrelly, Frances Lefevre Seaton. **1938:** Martha Freehling, Lillian Porter Sutton. **1939:** Eleanor Hess Barker.

**1940:** Virginia Lewis Becker. **1941:** Hazel George Robinson, Jane Pesci Trimm. **1942:** Nannetta Reed. **1944:** Irene Stormer Brickner, Eleanor Grove. **1945:** Virginia Garrity Buffum,

Thomas Williams. **1947:** John Hess, Dominick Oliver. **1948:** Stephen Ferko. **1949:** Ruth Home Zito.

**1950:** Donald Muller, Edward Wood. **1951:** Elizabeth Farina Fryz, Mike Michael. **1952:** Erma Yuhus Konitsky. **1955:** Carolyn Umstead Shaffer. **1957:** Ethel Baker Lape. **1958:** George Hay, Barbara Shields McKinney.

**1960:** Donald Frech, Raymond Parry. **1961:** Yolonda Tocco Hutchison, Florence Esch McCombie, Laura Robertson Pelter. **1962:** Dolores Fundrella Brecker, Dock Williams. **1963:** Jean Prinkey Moore Smith. **1964:** Marie Kage Carroll, David Hunter. **1965:** Janet Johns Koziel, Larry Panaia. **1966:** Nancy McElhoes Sherwin. **1967:** Michael Adair, Leo Harrold, Herbert Lenze. **1968:** Gertrude Metzler Flick, Carol Trella Goldring.

**1969:** Helen Lancy Savukas.

**1970:** Beatrice Lambing States, Stephen Vargo. **1971:** Charles Prenatt, Loris Langhout Ziener. **1972:** William Graden, James Stephens, Lawrence Tweed. **1973:** Richard Lawhead (M), Sr. Marie Vigna (M). **1974:** Katherine Feather, Debra Huth Wagner. **1975:** Mary Kress, Elysse Nelson Uskuraitis. **1976:** Mark Moore. **1979:** Vicki Zettle Ocomb, Kelly Conley Stevenson.

**1980:** Deborah Haney-Santello. **1981:** Randy Bennink. **1987:** Catherine Moshier. **1988:** Roberta Womeldorf. **1989:** Jeffrey Kulik.

**1992:** Delphine Douyère. **1993:** Tami Hess Fogle, Edward Martin, Carl Miller. **1996:** Jaqueline Kemerer (M). **1997:** Edwin Wesley Charles.

**2005:** Kristopher Conway.

## Other Deaths

**Mary Alice Groomes**, a Custodial Services staff member at IUP from 1966 to 1978, died January 17, 2008.

**Brad Hugus**, a junior at IUP from Greensburg, died November 30, 2007.

**David Keene**, who taught in the Political Science Department from 1966 to 1997, died November 26, 2007.

**James Maple**, an IUP faculty member for three decades in two departments, serving from 1964 to 1971 in Mathematics and from 1971 to 1994 in Computer Science, died January 19, 2008.

**Martha McShane**, an administrative assistant at IUP from 1964 to 1984, who worked for several members of the administration, died July 27, 2007.

**Denton Pillion**, a professor at IUP from 1968 to 1989, died December 3, 2007.

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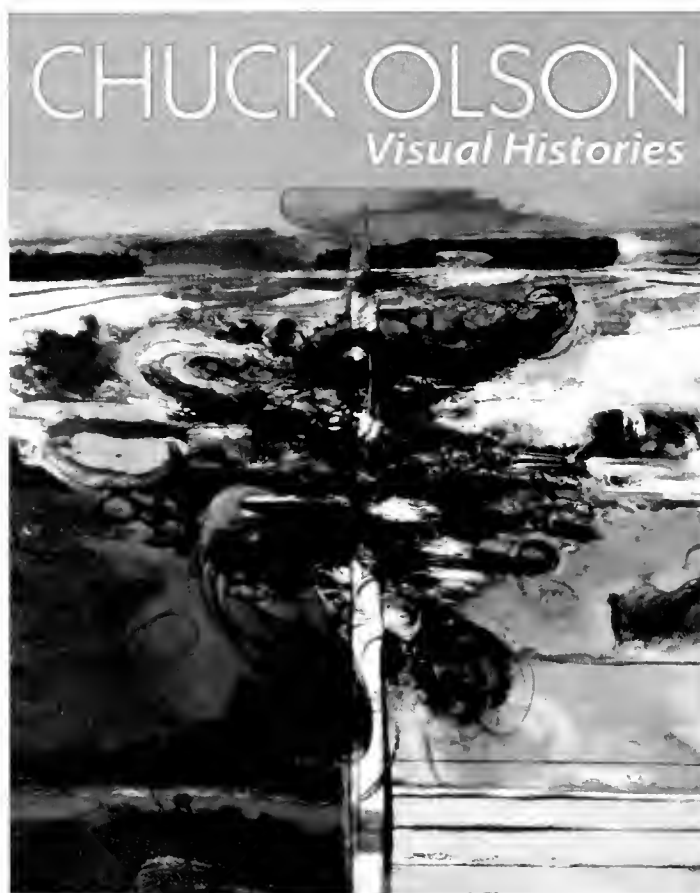
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**C**huck Olson: *Visual Histories* was published last fall in conjunction with an exhibition at the Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art in Loretto, Pa. For more than thirty years, **Chuck Olson '74, M'76** has taught and served as chairman in the Fine Arts Department at Saint Francis University. More than one hundred of his paintings were on display through February at the museum, located on the Saint Francis campus. More information about the exhibition and the book may be had by calling the Loretto museum at 814-472-3920 or on line at [www.sama-art.org](http://www.sama-art.org).

The second edition of what its publisher calls an "introspective novella" by **Samuel Pirro '66** was published in 2007. *Woofings* is available from The Blind Press in both print and PDF forms. According to Pirro, "The narrative etches the experiences of a narrator who, following a dismal childhood, becomes entangled in the mental health and criminal justice systems." More information is available at [www.theblindpress.com](http://www.theblindpress.com).

**Celia Miles D'80** has published her sixth work of fiction, *Islands One and All: Stories and Otherwise*. According to Miles, "The collection of fiction and reflections embraces the idea that we are all ultimately connected to the past and to each other but that ultimately also we are islands one and all." Information is available



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The third book in her "This Day in the Life" series by **Joni Cole '80** was published in March by Da Capo Lifelong Books. *Water Cooler Diaries: Women Across America Share Their Day at Work* contains contributions from more than five hundred women from all walks of life who chronicled a single day

(March 27, 2007) on the job. An author, editor, and mother of two, Cole said the idea for the book project grew out of a day in her own life six years ago—a "very bad day," when family illness, job woes, and a four-year-old daughter who refused to wear socks, despite freezing temperatures, prompted her to wonder what other women were doing and feeling at that very same moment. This book shares shelf space with its predecessors, *This Day: Diaries from American Women* (2004) and *This Day in the Life, Diaries from Women*

*Across America* (2006). Of the latter, *People* magazine commented, "The ensemble resonates with drama, humor, and pathos. This is one remarkable day you'll wish could go on forever."

Educational consultant and author **Tom Staszewski M'81** has published *Total Teaching: Your Passion Makes It Happen*, published by Rowman & Littlefield Education. According to its jacket, "This book provides real-life tools, tips, and strategies to have a successful school year and persevere beyond the challenges associated with the profession." The author noted that, in the book's acknowledgments section, he paid tribute to "IUP's late Dr. Peg Mahler, who founded the Adult and Community Education master's program, and the influence she had on me." He currently serves as academic dean at Mercyhurst College North East.

*How to Grow as an Illustrator* by **Michael Fleishman '73, M'77** provides professional and personal support for artists. According to a release from the publisher, Allworth Press, "Illustrators need practical insight, inspiration, and motivation to stay creative and profitable in their field." Fleishman's fifth book "is a real-world guide for illustrators at every stage of their careers." Information is available from the publisher by telephone at 800-491-2808 or at [www.allworth.com](http://www.allworth.com), where readers can find a full description, table of contents, and reviews. 🐼





# IMPORTS

By Bob Fulton

Photography by Keith Boyer

Walking the aisles of Memorial Field House some days, and you'd swear you're walking the halls of the U.N. Athletes from the four corners of the world frequent IUP's athletic hub. Swimmers from Poland, Israel, and Canada; field hockey players from the Netherlands; a pitcher from Curaçao; basketball players from Mozambique and France; and a distance runner from far-off Kazakhstan are

Left to right: Tatyana Maltsava (Kazakhstan), Ardeniyi Amadou (France), and Pawel Gliwiak (Poland)



included among the twenty-one foreign students listed on varsity rosters for the 2007-2008 school year.

IUP coaches happily roll out a welcome mat for these international visitors, who typically are earnest, industrious, and self-possessed, qualities that augur success both in their athletic endeavors and in the classroom.

"They're eager to make the most of this opportunity," said swimming coach Chris Villa, who counts on Canadians Casey Beck, Vanessa Iacobucci, and Brittany Watkins, Poland's Pawel Glowiak, and Israel's Galit Regev. "They're academically driven, because they don't take their education for granted. They're mature, and a lot of times, like Galit, they're a little bit older, too. She was in the military for a year and a half because every Israeli citizen serves in the military. So there are big advantages."

Consequently, IUP coaches take their cue from a certain Disney song—"It's a Small World after All"—and scour the globe for talent. That wasn't the case a quarter-century ago, when the notion of recruiting foreign athletes was, well, foreign. The landscape has changed radically since 1984, when IUP athletic director Frank Condino first arrived as an assistant football coach.

"I couldn't really say for sure, because I was involved with football then, but I wouldn't think there was much of an international presence in that era," Condino said. "If we checked the rosters I don't know what we'd find, but I'd be surprised if there was much of a foreign presence at all."

The first import to make a splash was, fittingly, a swimmer. Emilio Abreu finished second in the 400 individual medley at the NAIA meet in 1975 and 1976, earned All-America honors both years, represented his native Paraguay in the 1980 Olympics, and was inducted into the IUP Athletic Hall of Fame in 1999.

Two foreign athletes of more recent vin-

tage—Canadian Luci Plaxton and Petra Adamkova of the Czech Republic—also excelled in the pool. Plaxton finished second three times at the NCAA meet and earned fifteen All-America honors; Adamkova was twice a national runner-up and collected fourteen All-America honors. Small wonder then that IUP coaches cast their nets wide, bent on landing a potential non-American All-American.

They've reeled in recruits from lands as distant as Kazakhstan, a former Soviet republic in Asia that Tatyana Maltseva calls home. The sophomore cross country and track standout crosses ten time zones when traveling to IUP from Almaty, a city of 1.2 million located 200 miles from the western border of China. Getting to campus requires an epic journey even Odysseus would find daunting.

"It was really scary coming to the United States," said Maltseva, who transferred to IUP after a year at Arkansas. "Really scary. When I went to Arkansas there were a lot of times when I was depressed, and I didn't want to do anything. I just wanted to go home."

Marcia Mpfumo can relate. The junior basketball player from Mozambique's capital of Maputo, an Indian Ocean seaport of 1.1 million, was slow to adjust after she enrolled at Frank Phillips Junior College in Texas.

"When I first came in 2005, I didn't speak any English at all," said Mpfumo, whose last trip home devolved into a wearying marathon journey that included two nights spent sleeping in airports. "I didn't know if I was going to make it. Some days I just wanted to pack and go back to Mozambique."

Glowiak's introduction to the U.S. wasn't nearly as jarring, owing partly to the fact that two former high school teammates—Marek Malopolski and Bartosz Ostrowski—were already swimming for IUP when he

arrived. The junior from Gorzów quickly adapted to his new surroundings, earning All-America honors in the 100 backstroke as a freshman.

"It's definitely been a positive experience for me here," said Glowiak, who repeated as an All-American last year. "If I had a choice I would probably do it again. First of all, in swimming I'm getting better and better every year. And in school I'm getting a good education."

While IUP's imports obviously come to learn, they invariably wind up teaching as well. Maltseva and her fellow foreign students cheerfully clear up the many misconceptions Americans harbor about their home nations.

"If people ask me about my country, I'm really in favor of it—I love to tell them more about Kazakhstan," she said. "A lot of people know absolutely nothing about it, which is unfortunate. They maybe heard about it in the movie *Borat*, but it's not like that at all. Some people think we all live in fields, in tents, with animals running around. My city is almost like a New York. It's a very modern city."

Mpfumo also cringes when she encounters Americans who have scant knowledge of her southeastern African homeland or are unable to differentiate between Mozambique and other nations on the continent.

"They watch what's going on in Africa, not like a specified country," she said. "So they think whatever's happening in Africa is happening in Mozambique." Clueless, perhaps, that Maputo is as far away from the opposite corner of the continent as Indiana is from Rome.

Even Glowiak is staggered by how little some of his American classmates know about Poland.

"Everybody's asking me, 'Do you guys have fast-food restaurants? Do you have cars?'" he said, shaking his head. "I'm like, 'Yeah, we have fast-food restaurants. We

have cars.' It's not like a different world. It's just a different place."

Over the years, American-born IUP students have received a much-needed education from athletic ambassadors whose birthplaces run the gamut from A (Argentina) to Z (Zimbabwe), with a host of countries between: Bosnia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Costa Rica, Denmark, Germany, Honduras, Iceland, India, Iran, Japan, New Zealand, Nigeria, Peru, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Slovenia, Thailand, and Trinidad. The one common denominator, regardless of national origin? Few foreign athletes receive personal visits from recruiters. Budgets don't allow for international travel, so coaches adopt a frugal approach in courting prospects. Fred Joseph, for example, added Scotland's Gavin Smith and England's Leo Acklin to his golf team with the help of an acquaintance.

"I got them through a relationship I developed with Loren Kelly, who used to play golf for Coastal Carolina—he currently lives in Glasgow," Joseph said. "I keep in touch with him, either by phone or e-mail. He'll make a recommendation and if I have an opening, I'll pursue that."

Of course, it's not always a tip or a phone call that brings a foreign athlete to IUP. Sometimes it's just plain luck. Baseball coach Jeff Ditch discovered Canadians Jamie Smith and Kyle Stryker barely a mile from his office door, playing for the touring Ontario Blue Jays high school all-star team in a game at Owen Dougherty Field.

Smith and Stryker are now part of a sizable contingent of imports on campus, where the field house seems to rival the U.N. as a hub of international activity. And don't be surprised if the influx of foreign athletes continues.

For in one respect at least, IUP coaches are in agreement with Disney: It's a small world after all. 🐼

## FOREIGN ATHLETES APPEARING ON IUP ROSTERS DURING THE 2007-08 SCHOOL YEAR:

### Canada

- Casey Beck, *swimming*
- Vanessa Iacobucci, *swimming*
- Ryan Kennedy, *golf*
- Jordan Shaw, *basketball*
- Jamie Smith, *baseball*
- Kyle Stryker, *baseball*

- Brittany Watkins, *swimming*

### Netherlands

- Barbara Heemelaar, *field hockey*
- Vera Van Dam, *field hockey*
- Jordan van der Ploeg, *basketball\**

### Curaçao

- Eugene Offerman, *baseball*

### England

- Leo Acklin, *golf*

### France

- Adeniyi Amadou, *basketball*

### Israel

- Galit Regev, *swimming*

### Kazakhstan

- Tatyana Maltseva, *cross country, track*

### Mozambique

- Marcia Mplumo, *basketball*

### Poland

- Pawel Glowiak, *swimming*

### Scotland

- Gavin Smith, *golf*

### Serbia

- Hrista Denic, *volleyball*

### Slovenia

- Petra Skrabar, *tennis*

### Trinidad

- Chad LeBaron, *track*

*\*redshirted during 2007-2008 season*



# Name Droppers



By Mike Hoffman

While winning championships is the goal of any college athletic team, succeeding in the classroom is of paramount importance. At IUP the emphasis placed on academics has resulted in some impressive statistics. Of the nearly four hundred student-athletes enrolled at the university, almost 40 percent earned spots on the Dean's List last fall.

Of the ten women's teams, nine have cumulative grade-point averages above 3.00: volleyball (3.53), cross country (3.37), tennis (3.35), softball (3.31), track and field (3.20), swimming (3.15), soccer (3.10), basketball (3.05), and field hockey (3.04). The IUP baseball team joined that group with a GPA of 3.00. Seventeen women and five men have maintained perfect 4.0 averages for their entire college careers.

One of those stellar student-athletes is **Anthony Cellitti**, who recently concluded his career as a wide receiver on the IUP football team. A Health and Physical Education major, Cellitti was named a recipient of the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Top 10 award and was selected to the *ESPN the Magazine* Academic All-District II team, receiving both awards for the second straight year. In addition to his academic success, Cellitti made 100 career receptions, one of only twelve players in school history to reach that total, and stands sixteenth in receiving yards with 1,267.



Jeff Ditch

Keith Boyer

A pair of Cellitti's former teammates, tight end **Dan Pickens** and offensive lineman **Rory Thomas**, were also honored for their performance during the 2007 season. Pickens became the first IUP tight end in twenty-three years to achieve All-America status when he was named to the Daktronics second team and Don Hansen Football Gazette third team. Thomas was chosen to participate in January's Valero Cactus Bowl, the Division II all-star game. Thomas started thirty-two games during his IUP career and last season helped anchor an IUP offensive line that allowed the Crimson Hawks to average 38.5 points per game, the second-best mark in school history, as well as 402.5 yards of total offense.

IUP head coach **Lou Tepper** was elected to the Board of Trustees of the American Football Coaches Association at the organization's annual convention in Anaheim, Calif. In his new role on the board, Tepper will help formulate policy and provide direction for the more than

10,000-member AFCA. "This is truly an honor to be chosen to the AFCA Board of Trustees," Tepper said. "I believe in the values of the AFCA, and I look forward to serving its membership and looking out for what's best for college football."

Tepper wasn't the only IUP coach in the news over the winter. Baseball coach **Jeff Ditch** joined athletic director **Frank Condino** on a trip to the Dominican Republic in January as part of Meeting God in Missions. The traveling group of sixty participated in missions of baseball, optometry, construction, and medical and youth ministry. "For me, this experience will last a lifetime," Ditch said. "I went to the Dominican Republic with the intention of helping those less fortunate, and I returned with a life-changing result. Each IUP athletic team sent donations of equipment and apparel, and we saw firsthand how much it was appreciated. The effect of the missions in the villages where Haitians live was unbelievable."

The coaching carousel continued for a pair of former IUP football players and assistant coaches. **Frank Cignetti, Jr., '88** and **Jim Hostler '89** were both on the staff of the San Francisco 49ers in 2007 but will find themselves in new positions this season. Cignetti returned to the college ranks as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach for the University of California, while Hostler continued his NFL career, signing on to

coach wide receivers for the Baltimore Ravens. Cignetti previously served as offensive coordinator at Division I programs Fresno State from 2002 to 2005 and North Carolina in 2006. Hostler is with his fifth NFL team, having also been on the staff of the Kansas City Chiefs in 2000, the New Orleans Saints from 2001 to 2002, and the New York Jets in 2004 before heading to the 49ers.

Another former IUP assistant football coach was in the news when **Dave Johnson** returned to his alma mater as offensive line coach at West Virginia University. Johnson spent ten seasons at IUP, including the final seven as offensive coordinator, and helped the team post a record of 99-22-1 and make eight trips to the Division II playoffs. He had been the tight ends coach at the University of Georgia since 2001 before joining the Mountaineers.

**Terry Totten '81** reached the pinnacle of high school football in December when his Pittsburgh Central Catholic team completed a perfect 16-0 season with a 21-0 win over Parkland in the PIAA Class AAAA championship game. Totten played at IUP from 1980-81 and was hired as a graduate assistant coach by **George Chaump** that fall before spending five years as linebackers coach. Ironically, Totten's Vikings reached the championship game with a win over Chaump's Harrisburg High School Cougars in the PIAA semifinals. Central Catholic also went 16-0 and won the state title in

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2004 when Totten was the team's defensive coordinator, and the Vikings are 36-4 in his three seasons as head coach.

Former IUP fullback **Paul Taranto '03** was named head football coach at Northern Cambria High School, his alma mater. After spending one season at Shepherd, Taranto transferred to IUP and played three years. He was the offensive coordinator at Northern Cambria for two seasons before his promotion to head coach in January. In addition to his football duties with the Colts, Taranto is a mathematics teacher at the Cambria County, Pa., school.

While Taranto is still early in his career in education, another

former IUP football player called it a career in December. **Joe Bellissimo '65**, who lettered as a tight end from 1962 to 1964, announced that he was retiring from his position as superintendent of the Derry (Pa.) Area School District after eight years. Bellissimo coached varsity football at Derry beginning in 1971 and became assistant superintendent in 1993 before taking over the top spot six years later.

The IUP men's basketball annual golf fundraiser will be held September 5 at the Indiana Country Club with a very special honorary guest in attendance. Joining head coach **Joe Lombardi** and his staff will be Pennsylvania native Chuck Daly, who led the

Detroit Pistons to the 1989 and 1990 NBA titles and won 638 games in fourteen seasons. He was also the head coach of the original Dream Team that won the gold medal at the 1992 Summer Olympics. In 1994, Daly was elected to the Basketball Hall of Fame and three years later was selected one of the ten greatest coaches in NBA history as part of the league's fiftieth anniversary celebration.

The basketball function wraps up an IUP athletic fundraising season that will also feature other golf events. On June 16, IUP hosts the **Nell Jack Classic** at the Indiana Country Club to support women's athletics. Ten days later, the football program will hold its

golf outing at Chestnut Ridge on the Tom's Run course in memory of former IUP player and assistant coach **Larry Panaia '65, M'71**, who passed away in January after a courageous bout with cancer. For more information on these golf outings, call 724-357-6287 (men's basketball), 724-357-2780 (football), or 724-357-2782 (Nell Jack).

The Eberly College of Business and Information Technology will also hold its annual **golf classic** on July 21 at the Longue Vue Club in Verona, with all proceeds going to a special endowment to be used solely for student scholarships. For more information, contact Julie Moreland at 724-357-3215. 🏌️

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